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1. A work party of about 25 German workmen has been billeted in the East German bathing village of Boltenhagen on the Baltic Sea. Their job is to restore the airfield at Tarnowitz. The field was built in the years 1935 and 1936. The area marked "A" on the attached sketch was already there.
2. The rest of the field was built up on the marshy coastal ground. Iron sheeting was used to provide a retaining wall. This, in turn, was reinforced with rocks and cement. The material for this job and part of the fill-in was provided by dredges which lay to the outside of the iron walls. At least 1,000 concrete piles varying from 15 to 32 m in length were driven into the ground to strengthen the area.
3. The runway varies in thickness from 60 cm at the edges to one meter in the center. Two thirds of the thickness is made up of road metal. The covering is a kind of asphalt and is elastic. In 1945 the runway was blown up in several places but the explosions are said not to have harmed the inner structure of the airfield. Hence, the repair of the place will be an easy matter.

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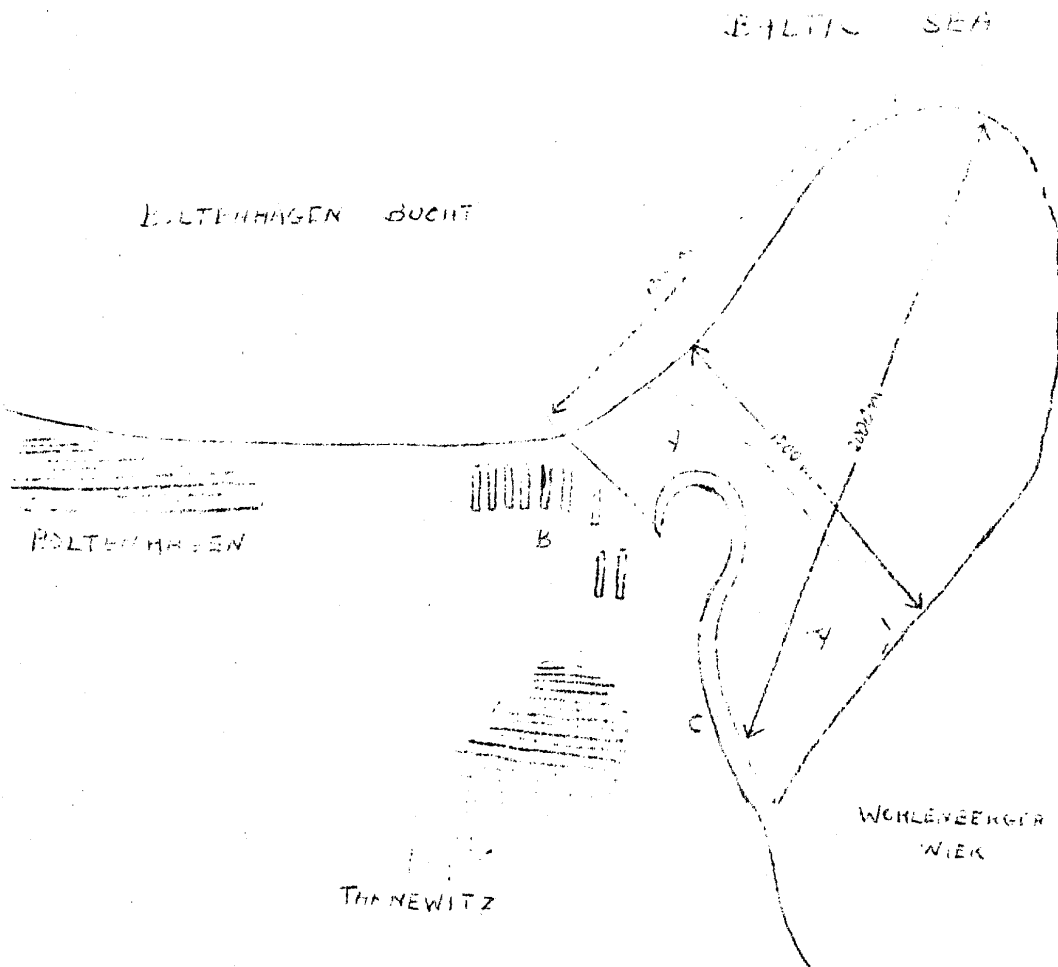
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Attachment

REBUILDING AIRFIELD AT TANGENTZ



- A. Airfield area existing prior to construction work.
- B. Barracks and administration buildings.
- C. Canal, 1 - 6 m. wide.

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